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SUBJECT: WASHINGTON POST SAYS "PORTUGAL'S 'DOVES' WIN
SUPPORT OF NATION'S BIG BUSINESSMEN"

1. UNDER BYLINE MIGUEL ACOCA, APRIL 1 EDITION WASHINGTON
POST CARRIED ARTICLE REPORTING SUPPORT "OF NATION'S BIG
BUSINESSMEN" FOR IDEAS OF SPINOLA. ARTICLE MENTIONED
SPECIFICALLY THE DE MELLO (CUF INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX) AND
CHAMPALINAUD ("CEMENT, STEEL AND BANKING") FAMILIES,
BOTH OF WHICH ARE DESCRIBED AS SUPPORTERS OF SPINOLA'S
PROPOSALS.

2. ARTICLE STATES GOP HAS CENSORED PRO-SPINOLA STATEMENT
MADE BY ANTONIO CHAMPALINAUD IN NEWSPAPER AND BY BANCO
PINTO SOTTO MAYOR.

3. POST ARTICLE ASSERTS THAT SPINOLA DID NOT WRITE HIS
BOOK ALONE BUT HAD "HELP OF MILITARY OFFICERS, BUSINESS-
MEN, POLITICAL SCIENTISTS AND SOCIOLOGISTS." ACCOR OME
TO ACOCA, PRO-SPINOLA BACKERS BELIEVE U.S. WOULD WELCOME
CHANGES BOOK SUGGESTS. ACOCA ALSO REPORTS FEELING OF
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DISENCHANTMENT IN GOP FOR LACK CURRENT U.S. SUPPORT

DESPITE PORTUGUESE COOPERATION DURING OCTOBER AIRLIFT TO
ISRAEL.

4. ARTICLE BEING POUCHED. DEPT INTERESTED YOUR VIEWS

ON DEPTH BUSINESS SUPPORT FOR SPINOLA AND VERACITY
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